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"AN ACT REQUIRING DISCLOSURE OF MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS HELD BY CERTAIN CONTRIBUTORS TO CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF A MUNICIPALITY."

- 1 Strike sections 2 to 11, inclusive, and insert the following in lieu
- 2 thereof:
- 3 "Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2003) (a) As used in this section
- 4 and section 9-261 of the general statutes, as amended by this act,
- 5 "election day" means the day on which a regular election, as defined in
- 6 section 9-1 of the general statutes, is held after the State Elections
- 7 Enforcement Commission and the Registrars of Voters Association of
- 8 Connecticut certify the completion of the state-wide centralized voter
- 9 registration system to the General Assembly pursuant to section 4 of
- 10 this act.
- 11 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 143 of the general
- 12 statutes, a person who (1) is not an elector and does not have a

pending application for admission as elector under said chapter 143, and (2) meets the eligibility requirements under subsection (a) of section 9-12 of the general statutes, may apply for admission as an elector on election day.

(c) Any such application shall be made in accordance with the provisions of section 9-20 of the general statutes, provided (1) the applicant shall appear in person at the office of the registrars of voters on election day, (2) an applicant who is a student enrolled at an institution of higher education may submit a current photo identification card issued by said institution in lieu of the identification required by said section 9-20, and (3) the applicant shall declare under oath that the applicant is not, to the applicant's knowledge, already properly admitted as an elector and has not previously voted in the election. If the information that the applicant is required to provide under section 9-20 of the general statutes and this section does not include proof of the applicant's residential address, the applicant shall also submit a United States passport, a military identification card, a learner's permit or a utility bill that has the applicant's name and current address and is due within thirty days after the election or, in the case of a student enrolled at an institution of higher education, a registration or fee statement from such institution that has the applicant's name and current address. If the registrars determine that an applicant is qualified and admit the applicant as an elector, the registrars shall give the applicant a notice of acceptance which indicates the applicant's voting district and polling place. A notice of acceptance shall be on a form designed to prevent forgery or counterfeiting, as prescribed by the Secretary of the State. The registrars shall check the state-wide centralized voter registration system before admitting an applicant as an elector in order to determine whether the applicant is an elector in another municipality in the state.

(d) Not later than seven days after each election day, the registrars of voters shall send a confirmation to the residential address of each applicant who is admitted as an elector on election day under this

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section. Such confirmation shall be sent by first-class mail with instructions on the envelope that it be returned if not deliverable at the address shown on the envelope. If a confirmation is returned undelivered, the registrars shall refer the matter to the State Elections Enforcement Commission which shall immediately conduct an

- Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 9-261 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January* 1, 2003):
- 56 (a) In each primary, election or referendum, when an elector has 57 entered the polling place, [he] the elector shall (1) announce [his] the 58 elector's street address, if any, and [his] the elector's name to the 59 checkers in a tone sufficiently loud and clear as to enable all the 60 election officials present to hear the same, and (2) (A) present to the 61 checkers [his] the elector's Social Security card or any other preprinted 62 form of identification which shows [his] the elector's name and either 63 [his] the elector's address, signature or photograph, or (B) sign a 64 statement under penalty of false statement, on a form prescribed by 65 the Secretary of the State, that [he] the elector is the elector whose 66 name appears on the official checklist. Each of the checkers shall check 67 the name of such elector on the official checklist. In the case of an 68 elector who is admitted on election day under section 2 of this act, the 69 elector shall also present to the moderator the notice of acceptance 70 given to the elector under said section 2, and the moderator shall add 71 the elector's name and address to the official checklist on such day and 72 the elector shall be allowed to vote if otherwise eligible to vote. As 73 used in this section, "election day" has the same meaning as "election 74 day", as defined in section 2 of this act.
 - Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2003) Upon determining that the state-wide centralized voter registration system is fully completed and operational and that all municipalities in the state are participating in said system, the State Elections Enforcement Commission and the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut shall certify such

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- 80 completion to the General Assembly.
- 81 Sec. 5. Section 9-158a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 82 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2003, and
- 83 applicable to elections held after the State Elections Enforcement Commission
- 84 and the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut make the certification
- 85 required under section 4 of this act):
- 86 As used in sections 9-139c, 9-140b, 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive, and
- 87 9-307:
- 88 (1) "Federal election" means any general or special election or any
- 89 primary held solely or in part for the purpose of selecting, nominating
- 90 or electing any candidate for the office of president, vice president,
- 91 presidential elector, member of the United States Senate or member of
- 92 the United States House of Representatives;
- 93 (2) "Former resident" means a person who was a bona fide resident
- of a town in this state and who has [removed] moved from that town
- 95 to another state less than thirty days before the day of a presidential
- 96 election and who for that reason is unable to register to vote in the
- 97 election in [his] <u>said person's</u> present [town or] state of residence;
- 98 (3) "Overseas elector" means any person permitted to vote pursuant
- 99 to subsection (b) of section 9-158b;
- 100 (4) "Presidential election" means an election at which electors of
- 101 President and Vice-President are elected:
- 102 (5) "Resident" means a bona fide resident of a town in this state;
- 103 (6) "State" includes any of the several states, the District of
- 104 Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin
- 105 Islands; and
- 106 (7) "United States" includes the several states, the District of
- 107 Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin
- 108 Islands, but does not include American Samoa, The Canal Zone, the

trust territory of the Pacific Islands or any other territory or possession of the United States.

- Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 9-158b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective* January 1, 2003, and applicable to elections held after the State Elections Enforcement Commission and the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut make the certification required under section 4 of this act):
- (a) Each citizen of the United States who is at least eighteen years of age, is a [resident or] former resident and [who] has not forfeited [his] said citizen's electoral privileges because of a disfranchising crime, may vote for presidential and vice-presidential electors, but for no other offices, in the town in this state in which [he resides, or] said citizen formerly resided in the manner provided in sections 9-158c to 9-158m, inclusive, as amended by this act.
- Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 9-158c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2003, and applicable to elections held after the State Elections Enforcement Commission and the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut make the certification required under section 4 of this act)*:
 - (a) Not earlier than forty-five days before the election and not later than the close of the polls on election day, each [resident, or] former resident who desires to vote in a presidential election under sections 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive, as amended by this act, may apply for a "presidential ballot" to the municipal clerk of the town in which [he] said former resident is qualified to vote on the form prescribed in section 9-158d, as amended by this act. Application for a "presidential ballot" may be made in person or absentee, in the manner provided for applying for an absentee ballot under section 9-140, except as provided in said sections 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive.
- Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 9-158d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective* 140 *January 1, 2003, and applicable to elections held after the State Elections*

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141 Enforcement Commission and the Registrars of Voters Association of

- 142 Connecticut make the certification required under section 4 of this act):
- 143 (a) The application for a presidential ballot shall be a form signed in
- duplicate by the applicant under penalty of false statement in absentee
- balloting, which shall provide substantially as follows:
- To the Town Clerk of the Town of Connecticut
- 147 I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of false statement in
- absentee balloting that the following statements are true:
- 149 1. I am a citizen of the United States.
- 2. I have not forfeited my electoral privileges because of conviction
- 151 of a disfranchising crime.
- 3. I was born on, and on the day of the next presidential election,
- 153 I shall be at least 18 years of age. [Check and complete 4 or 5,
- 154 whichever applies:]
- 155 [4. RESIDENT. I am a bona fide resident of the above town, to
- 156 which I am making this application, and I reside at Street. I moved
- to said town on the day of, 20... Before becoming a resident of
- said town, I resided at Street, in the Town of County of, State
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- 160 [5.] 4. FORMER RESIDENT. I am a former resident of the above
- 161 town, to which I am making this application, and resided at Street
- therein. I moved from such town to my present town of residence on
- the day of, 20.., being within thirty days before the date of the
- next presidential election, and for that reason I cannot register to vote
- in said presidential election in my present town of residence. I am now
- a bona fide resident of the Town of, in the state of, now residing
- 167 at Street therein.
- [6.] <u>5.</u> I hereby apply for a "presidential ballot" for the election to be
- held on, 20... I have not voted and will not vote otherwise than by

170 this ballot at that election. I am not eligible to vote for electors of

- 171 President and Vice-President [in any other town in Connecticut or] in
- any other state.
- [7.] 6. The said ballot is to be given to me personally mailed to me at
- 174 (bona fide mailing address)
- 175 Dated at, this day of 20...
- 176 (Signature of applicant)
- 177 Sec. 9. Subsection (a) of section 9-158e of the general statutes is
- 178 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 179 January 1, 2003, and applicable to elections held after the State Elections
- 180 Enforcement Commission and the Registrars of Voters Association of
- 181 Connecticut make the certification required under section 4 of this act):
- 182 (a) Upon receipt of an application for a presidential ballot under
- sections 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive, as amended by this act, the clerk,
- 184 if satisfied that the application is proper and that the applicant is
- qualified to vote under said sections, shall forthwith give or mail to the
- 186 applicant, as the case may be, a ballot for presidential and vice-
- 187 presidential electors for use at the election and instructions and
- 188 envelopes for its return. At such time the clerks shall also mail a
- duplicate of the application to the appropriate official of [(1) the state
- or the town in this state in which the applicant last resided in the case
- 191 of an applicant who is a resident, or (2)] the state [or the town in this
- state] in which the applicant now resides. [in the case of an applicant
- 193 who is a former resident.]
- 194 Sec. 10. Section 9-158j of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 195 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2003, and
- 196 applicable to elections held after the State Elections Enforcement Commission
- and the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut make the certification
- 198 required under section 4 of this act):
- 199 Upon receipt of an application for a "Presidential Ballot" or

"Overseas Ballot" the town clerk shall forthwith notify the registrars of voters of the applicant's name, with a notation designating [him] the applicant as a person voting for presidential and vice-presidential electors or federal offices only. If the name of a presidential voter [who is a former resident] appears on the registry list, the registrars shall insert the letters "pf" in the margin preceding [his] the voter's name. The registrars shall prepare a list of names and addresses of presidential voters and overseas electors whose names do not appear on the registry list, for each voting district, which list shall accompany the check list to be used at such election in such district. The registrars shall insert the letters "pf" in the margin of such list of presidential voters preceding the name of each applicant. [who is a former resident.]

Sec. 11. Section 9-158k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2003, and applicable to elections held after the State Elections Enforcement Commission and the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut make the certification required under section 4 of this act)*:

The municipal clerk shall file each duplicate application or other official information received by [him] such clerk from another state, [or from another town in this state, indicating that a person who formerly resided [or presently resides] in such town has made application to vote at a presidential election in such other state, [or town,] and shall maintain an alphabetical index of such information for a period of one hundred eighty days after the election. The clerk shall compare each such application or statement of information with applications made under the provisions of sections 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive, as amended by this act, and, after the election, with the names checked off as having voted on the check list for the election, to ascertain that any such person has not voted more than once. Whenever the record indicates that any person has applied for a presidential ballot and indicated in [his] such person's application that [he] such person is applying as a former resident, and there is record evidence that such person has applied in another state [or town] as a new resident, the

234 applicant's ballot shall not be cast in [his] <u>such person's</u> former town of 235 residence."